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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Currently Amended) A document displaying system comprising:
 - a support assembly having a backing member selectively couplable to a vertical support surface;
 - a frame assembly operationally couplable to said support assembly;
 - a transparent cover member operationally couplable to said frame assembly, said frame assembly abutting a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member, said transparent cover member being for protecting a document to be displayed; and
 - a pair of magnetic coupling members for selectively operationally securing said transparent cover member to said support assembly;
 - an intermediate board member positionable in said frame assembly between said support assembly and said transparent cover member, said intermediate board member providing support for said frame assembly and aiding said frame member in retaining its shape;
 - at least one back mounting aperture extending through said backing member for facilitating securing said support assembly to the vertical support surface; and
 - at least one intermediate mounting aperture extending through said intermediate board member, said intermediate mounting aperture being aligned with said back mounting aperture for facilitating securing said intermediate board member to the vertical support surface whereby a portion of the weight of said frame assembly is supported by said intermediate board member.

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2. (Canceled) The system of claim 1, further comprising ~~a~~an intermediate board member positionable in said frame assembly between said support assembly and said transparent cover member, said intermediate board member providing support for said frame assembly and ~~aids~~ aiding said frame member in retaining its shape.

3. (Canceled) The system of claim 2, further comprising:
at least one back mounting aperture extending through said backing member for facilitating securing said support assembly to the vertical support surface;

at least one intermediate mounting aperture extending through said intermediate board member, said intermediate mounting aperture being aligned with said back mounting aperture for facilitating securing said intermediate board member to the vertical support surface whereby a portion of the weight of said frame assembly is supported by said intermediate board member.

4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said transparent cover member includes an opaque portion extending around a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member, said opaque portion providing an appearance of a matt around the document being displayed.

5. (Original) The system of claim 1, further comprising at least one back mounting aperture extending through said backing member for facilitating securing said support assembly to the vertical support surface.

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6. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein said frame assembly further comprises:

a side portion for encompassing a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member; and

a back portion coupled to said side portion, said back portion being positionable between said backing member and said transparent cover member.

7. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 1, wherein said frame assembly further comprises:

a side portion for encompassing a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member; and

a front portion coupled to said side portion, said front portion abutting a front edge of said transparent cover member for assisting in selectively coupling said transparent cover member to said support assembly.

8. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 7, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said transparent cover member and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said transparent cover member is selectively securable to said backing member.

9. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 7, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said frame assembly and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said frame assembly is selectively securable to said backing member.

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10. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 1, wherein said backing member has a groove extending along a back top edge providing a space between said frame assembly and the vertical support surface when said frame assembly is coupled to said backing member.

11. (Currently Amended) A document displaying system comprising:
a support assembly having a backing member selectively couplable to a vertical support surface;
a frame assembly operationally couplable to said support assembly;
a transparent cover member operationally couplable to said frame assembly, said frame assembly abutting a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member, said transparent cover member being for protecting a document to be displayed;
a pair of magnetic coupling members for selectively operationally securing said transparent cover member to said support assembly;
~~a~~ an intermediate board member positionable in said frame assembly between said support assembly and said transparent cover member, said intermediate board member providing support for said frame assembly and ~~aid~~ aiding said frame member in retaining its shape;
at least one back mounting aperture extending through said backing member for facilitating securing said support assembly to the vertical support surface; and
at least one intermediate mounting aperture extending through said intermediate board member, said intermediate mounting aperture being aligned with said back mounting aperture for facilitating securing said intermediate board member to the vertical support surface whereby a portion of the weight of said frame assembly is supported by said intermediate board member.

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12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said transparent cover member includes an opaque portion extending around a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member, said opaque portion providing an appearance of a matt around the document being displayed.

13. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said frame assembly further comprises:

a side portion for encompassing a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member; and

a back portion coupled to said side portion, said back portion being positionable between said backing member and said transparent cover member.

14. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said frame assembly further comprises:

a side portion for encompassing a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member; and

a front portion coupled to said side portion, said front portion abutting a front edge of said transparent cover member for assisting in selectively coupling said transparent cover member to said support assembly.

15. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said transparent cover member and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said transparent cover member is selectively securable to said backing member.

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16. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said frame assembly and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said frame assembly is selectively securable to said backing member.

17. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said backing member has a groove extending along a back top edge providing a space between said frame assembly and the vertical support surface when said frame assembly is coupled to said backing member.

18. (Withdrawn) A document displaying system comprising:

a support assembly having a backing member selectively couplable to a vertical support surface;

a frame assembly operationally couplable to said support assembly;

a transparent cover member operationally couplable to said frame assembly, said frame assembly abutting a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member, said transparent cover member being for protecting a document to be displayed;

a pair of magnetic coupling members for selectively operationally securing said transparent cover member to said support assembly;

a intermediate board member positionable in said frame assembly between said support assembly and said transparent cover member, said intermediate board member providing support for said frame assembly and aids said frame member in retaining its shape;

at least one back mounting aperture extending through said backing member for facilitating securing said support assembly to the vertical support surface;

at least one intermediate mounting aperture extending through said intermediate board member, said intermediate mounting aperture being aligned with said back mounting aperture for facilitating securing said

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intermediate board member to the vertical support surface whereby a portion of the weight of said frame assembly to supported by said intermediate board member;

wherein said frame assembly further comprises:

a side portion for encompassing a perimeter edge of said transparent cover member; and

a front portion coupled to said side portion, said front portion abutting a front edge of said transparent cover member for assisting in selectively coupling said transparent cover member to said support assembly.

19. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 18, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said transparent cover member and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling members is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said transparent cover member is selectively securable to said backing member.

20. (Withdrawn) The system of claim 19, wherein a first one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said frame assembly and a second one of said pair of magnetic coupling member is operationally coupled to said backing member whereby said frame assembly is selectively securable to said backing member.